

GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
BOARD OF ZONING ADJUSTMENT



Application No. 16873 of National Association for the Education of Young Children, pursuant to 11 DCMR § 3104.1, for a special exception to continue the use of an existing parking lot under section 213, in the DCOD/R-5-B District at premises 1522-1526 Church Street, N.W. (Square 194, Lots 50-52).

HEARING DATE: May 29, 2002
DECISION DATE: May 29, 2002 (Bench Decision)

SUMMARY ORDER

SELF-CERTIFIED

The zoning relief requested in this case was self-certified, pursuant to 11 DCMR § 3113.2.

The Board provided proper and timely notice of public hearing on this application by publication in the D.C. Register, and by mail to Advisory Neighborhood Commission (ANC) 2B, and to the owners of property within 200 feet of the site. The application was also referred to the Office of Planning for review and report.

The site of this application is located within the jurisdiction of ANC 2B. ANC 2B, which is automatically a party to the application submitted a letter in support of the application. The Office of Planning submitted a report in support of the application. The D.C. Department of Transportation submitted a report stating no objection to the application.

As directed by 11 DCMR § 3119.2, the Board has required the applicant to satisfy the burden of proving the elements which are necessary to establish the case for a special exception from the strict application of the requirements of 11 DCMR §§ 3104.1 and 213. No person or entity appeared at the public hearing in opposition to this application or otherwise requested to participate as a party in this proceeding. Accordingly, a decision by the Board to grant this application would not be adverse to any party.

Based upon the record before the Board, and having given great weight to the ANC letter filed in this case, the Board concludes that the Applicant has met the burden of proof, pursuant to 11 DCMR § 3104.1 for a special exception under section 213, which will be in harmony with the general purpose and intent of the Zoning Regulations and Zoning Maps and will not tend to affect adversely the use of neighboring property in accordance

with the Zoning Regulations and Zoning Maps. It is therefore **ORDERED** that this application be **GRANTED** subject to the following **CONDITIONS**:

1. The approval shall be for **FIVE** (5) years.
2. Visitors and employees of the National Association for the Education of Young Children (NAEYC) shall use the parking lot during business hours.
3. During evenings and on weekends, the parking lot shall be made available to members of the community and to nearby churches.
4. The parking lot shall be posted with a sign, which limits its use during the day exclusively to the NAEYC. The signage shall continue to indicate that the lot is reserved for NAEYC members from 7:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., Monday through Friday.
5. All parts of the lot shall be kept free of refuse or debris and shall be paved or landscaped. At least 5 percent of the lot shall be landscaped.
6. A designated person shall police the parking lot on a regular basis, Monday through Friday for security purposes.
7. The parking lot shall be striped so as to designate the location of all parking spaces.
8. Lighting shall be provided to sufficiently illuminate all areas of the lot. Such illumination shall be so arranged that all direct rays of the lighting are confined to the surface of the parking lot.
9. The applicant shall maintain the existing landscaping.

Pursuant to 11 DCMR § 3101.6, the Board has determined to waive the requirement of 11 DCMR § 3125.3 that the order of the Board be accompanied by findings of fact and conclusions of law. The waiver will not prejudice the rights of any party, and is appropriate in this case.

VOTE: 3-0-2

(Geoffrey H. Griffis, Anne M. Renshaw, and David A. Zaidain to approve, the third mayoral appointee and Zoning Commission member not present, not voting).

BY ORDER OF THE D.C. BOARD OF ZONING ADJUSTMENT

Each concurring member has approved the issuance of this order.

ATTESTED BY:


JERRILY R. KRESS, FAIA
Director, Office of Zoning

Final Date of Order: JUN - 4 2002

PURSUANT TO 11 DCMR § 3125.6, THIS ORDER WILL BECOME FINAL UPON ITS FILING IN THE RECORD AND SERVICE UPON THE PARTIES. UNDER 11 DCMR § 3125.9, THIS ORDER WILL BECOME EFFECTIVE TEN DAYS AFTER IT BECOMES FINAL.

PURSUANT TO 11 DCMR 3130, THIS ORDER SHALL NOT BE VALID FOR MORE THAN SIX MONTHS AFTER IT BECOMES EFFECTIVE UNLESS THE USE APPROVED IN THIS ORDER IS ESTABLISHED WITHIN SUCH SIX-MONTH PERIOD.

PURSUANT TO 11 DCMR § 3205, FAILURE TO ABIDE BY THE CONDITIONS IN THIS ORDER, IN WHOLE OR IN PART, SHALL BE GROUNDS FOR THE REVOCATION OF ANY BUILDING PERMIT OR CERTIFICATE OF OCCUPANCY ISSUED PURSUANT TO THIS ORDER.

THE APPLICANT SHALL COMPLY FULLY WITH THE PROVISIONS OF THE HUMAN RIGHTS ACT OF 1977, D.C. LAW 2-38, AS AMENDED, CODIFIED AS CHAPTER 25 IN TITLE 1 OF THE D.C. CODE. *SEE* D.C. CODE § 1-2531 (1999). THIS ORDER IS CONDITIONED UPON FULL COMPLIANCE WITH THE HUMAN RIGHTS ACT. THE FAILURE OR REFUSAL OF THE APPLICANT TO COMPLY SHALL BE A PROPER BASIS FOR THE REVOCATION OF THIS ORDER.

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As Director of the Office of Zoning, I hereby certify and attest that on JUN - 4 2002 a copy of the order entered on that date in this matter was mailed first class, postage prepaid or delivered via inter-agency mail, to each party and public agency who appeared and participated in the public hearing concerning the matter, and who is listed below:

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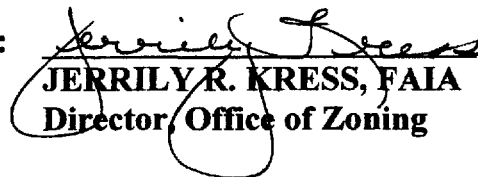
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